

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in light of this submission. The pending Independent claims 31, 39, and 45 have been amended. No claims have been added, but claims 56-59 have been further canceled in addition to the already cancelled claims. Therefore, claims 31-33, 35-39, and 41-55 are presented for examination. All claim amendments are fully supported by the originally filed specification, and do not add any new matter.

None of the cited references teaches Applicant's methods, which allows for packets such as SNMP traps, to be generated, e.g., in an ASIC, even while the associated CPU is asleep. This is reflected in the claims, which are supported throughout the application.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 512/238-7253.

Respectfully submitted,

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